



Docket No. 1232-4830

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant(s): Tetsuo KUWABARA

Group Art Unit: 1754

Serial No.: 10/086,074

Examiner: Ngoc Yen M NGUYEN

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For: CALCIUM FLUORIDE CRYSTAL AND METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR  
PRODUCING SAME

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

This preliminary amendment is being submitted with a Request for Continued Examination in accordance to 37 C.F.R. §1.114. Prior to the examination of this case on the merits, Applicants respectfully request the entry of these amendments.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 4 of this paper.